



City of Goodyear

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Meeting Minutes

Water Conservation Committee

Tuesday, February 20, 2018

6:00 PM

City Hall
190 N. Litchfield Rd.
Goodyear, AZ 85338

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Columbia called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 10 - Chairman Columbia, Vice Chairman Barber, Committee Member Booth, Committee Member Faiello, Committee Member Gilmore, Committee Member Kagan, Committee Member Kaino, Committee Member Moll, Committee Member Smith and Committee Member Teiche

Excused: 1 - Committee Member Minarik

Staff Present: Water Demand Advisor Ray Diaz, Water Resources Planning Advisor Gretchen Erwin and Water Resource Manager Mark Holmes

MOTION BY Committee Member Teiche, SECONDED BY Committee Member Faiello, to EXCUSE Committee Member Minarik from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Chairman Columbia, Vice Chairman Barber, Committee Member Faiello, Committee Member Kaino, Committee Member Moll, Committee Member Smith and Committee Member Teiche

Excused: 1 - Committee Member Minarik

Absent: 3 - Committee Member Booth, Committee Member Gilmore and Committee Member Kagan

3. APPROVE MINUTES

- 3.1 [MINUTES](#) Approve draft minutes of the Water Conservation Committee meeting held on
[2018-10](#) December 19, 2017.

MOTION BY Committee Member Teiche, SECONDED BY Committee Member Faiello, to APPROVE the draft minutes of the Water Conservation Committee meeting held on December 19, 2017. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Chairman Columbia, Vice Chairman Barber, Committee Member Faiello, Committee Member Kaino, Committee Member Moll, Committee Member Smith and Committee Member Teiche

Excused: 1 - Committee Member Minarik

Absent: 3 - Committee Member Booth, Committee Member Gilmore and Committee Member Kagan

4. CITIZENS COMMENTS/ APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR

None.

5. OLD BUSINESS

5.1 Meeting Schedule and Administration

Facilitator Makinen stated that staff has put together the current recommendations and will be presenting them this evening.

Committee Member Susan Kagan arrived at 6:05 p.m.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Committee Discussion on Recommendation Topics and Concepts

Water Resource Manager Holmes provided a presentation on the work done to date on the current recommendations, and reviewed each one, asking if there were questions, concerns or feedback on anything reviewed. He began by saying all of the numbers are preliminary and some are targets. Additionally, there are now eleven recommendations from the original 14, since one is already in progress, and three have been rolled into one. Input/subsequent discussion items on the recommendations are noted below. Holmes said they'd make the agreed upon changes and highlight them before resending them to the Committee for review.

Committee Member Jack Gilmore arrived at 6:07 p.m.

Committee Member Marlon Booth arrived at 6:15 p.m.

1. AMI (ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE) IMPLEMENTATION

- Clarify if the financial impact is yearly or a one-time expense.
- Consider including cost of capital for meter replacement.
- Include that the city will partner with Liberty Utilities to see if they'll integrate into the AMI portal.

2. COMMUNITY EDUCATION

- The full-time employees would look for success stories and showcase them.

3. CITY-WIDE TREE PLAN

- Timing will be crucial to ensure it works along with the Landscape Design Standards.

4. CUSTOMER FRIENDLY SERVICES

- No discussion.

5. WATER CONSERVATION FINANCE STRATEGY

- Consider Private Public Partnerships.
- Take into consideration when developing the impact fee program.

6. WATER FLUSHING PROGRAM

- Consider charging city departments for water (e.g., Fire Department, Sweepers, etc.)

7. HOME IRRIGATION CHECK-UPS

- No discussion.

8. DESIGN LANDSCAPE STANDARDS

- The Committee should not develop an “At all costs” directive, but rather include a line saying they should adhere to the goals of the Strategic Action Plan and General Plan.
- There is a correction - this recommendation currently refers to “Arizona Landscape Association”; however, it should say “Arizona Landscape Contractors Association”.

9. LANDSCAPE INCENTIVES

- Ensure incentives are fair and equitable, and incentive funds should be set aside for all water user categories.

10. RECOMMENDATION FOR POOLS

- No discussion.

11. SMART CONTROLLERS

- No discussion.

Next, Holmes reviewed three tables reflecting timing and anticipated costs/cost savings. Chairman Columbia asked if they could include another slide to show the “Grand Finale”. Another suggestion was to move the last two columns on the Total Plan Analysis table to just left of the Cost Savings column. On the Plan Timing Costs table, the expense for the City-wide Tree Plan should be either moved up a year, merge the cells between year 2 and year 3, or split the expense into both years. Holmes explained that it may look different to some; however, this is how the city budgets. Mr. Columbia requested then that the word Cost be replaced with Budget.

The presentation will be sent to the Committee Members, and they will rank the recommendations on a scale of 1 - 11 and send to Facilitator Makinen.

7. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

None.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Columbia adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Mario Columbia, Chairman

Date: _____